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Applicant(s): Indranil Nandi, et al.
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2008, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments to the claims on the ground that they place the application in condition for allowance.¹

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.

¹ In essence, the amendments limit the claimed subject matter to that of claims 7, 8, and 13, together with certain dependent claims. Upon withdrawal of all rejections based on WO '284, the subject matter of claims 7, 8, and 13 was only objected to in the prior action as being dependent on a rejected base claim, leading Applicants to the reasonable conclusion these claims would be allowed if rewritten in independent form. Subject matter cancelled from any claim is not disclaimed, and any/all such cancellations are without prejudice. Applicants expressly reserve the right to prosecute claims of any scope supported by the disclosure herein.